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Snapshots And Lessons

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Answer each question in **complete sentences**. Make **connections** between the passage and yourself, the wider world, or other texts you have read. Use details from the passage and your own thinking to explain your connections.

The Lost Camera

During a family trip to the mountains, Clara carried a small camera everywhere she went. She loved capturing photos of waterfalls, animals, and the bright wildflowers that dotted the trails. On the last day, she realized she had lost the camera somewhere along the hike. At first, she felt heartbroken, thinking all her memories were gone. Later that evening, a park ranger knocked on their cabin door holding the missing camera. Clara was so relieved that she hugged the ranger and promised to take better care of her belongings. When she looked through the photos, she realized the pictures were beautiful, but the real joy had been in the experiences themselves. Smiling, she understood that the memories would stay with her even without the camera.

1. **Text-to-Self:** Have you ever lost something important like Clara did? How did you feel, and how is it similar or different from Clara's feelings?
2. **Text-to-World:** How does this story connect to the importance of protecting personal belongings in real life?
3. **Text-to-Text:** Can you think of another story, book, or movie where someone lost something valuable? How does it compare to Clara's experience?
4. **Text-to-Self:** What lesson from Clara's story could you apply in your own life?
5. **Text-to-World:** Why do you think people often discover that experiences are more valuable than objects?